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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir: The following extension of time is requested to: respond to the Official Action mailed November 13, 2003 □ \$475.00 (2253) **≥** \$950.00 (1253) May 13, 2004 three months to ☐ The shortened statutory period has been reset by an Advisory Action dated _ An extension fee in the amount of \$ 950.00 is enclosed. ☐ Charge to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. to credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. ☐ Charge The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate. Respectfully submitted, BURNS, DOANE, SWECKER & MATHIS, L.L.P. May 13, 2004 Registration No. 40,373 Date:

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